Office of the Commissioner of Police.

235. *MR. K. MAHOMED (*Alwaye*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of clerks in the office of the Commissioner of Police; and

(*b*) of these how many are Muslims and how many are Kshatriyas?

RAO BAHADUR N. RAMANUJA AIYANGAR (*Commissioner of Police*):

(*a*) 17.

(*b*) Muslims—two, of whom one is acting as Inspector of Police. Kshatriya—nil.

Working of the Panchayat Regulation.

236. *MR. M. N. NAIR (*Kottayam I*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) how many villages have been brought under the operation of the Panchayat Regulation; and

(*b*) how many Panchayats have been instituted?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) 8.

(*b*) 8.

MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon II*): May I know, Sir, how many of these are functioning now?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I think six of them are functioning.

MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon II*): May I know the reason why the remaining two are not functioning?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The question of the nomination of the members on the Panchayat is under consideration.

MR. K. P. KRISHNA MENON (*Parur*): May I know whether the tax-payers have to contribute anything for the Panchayat?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): There is a certain provision in the Regulation to levy a small cess on the people within the jurisdiction of the Panchayat.

Control over the Mahomedan Inspector of Schools.

257. *MR. K. MAHOMED (*Alwaye*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the Government or the Director of Public Instruction has received representations from Muslims to the effect that the subjection of the Mahomedan Inspector to the double control of the Divisional Inspectors will prejudicially affect the educational interests of the Muslims;

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, what action the Government or the Director of Public Instruction has taken on these representations;

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(*c*) if these representations are not sympathetically considered, the reason for doing so; and

(*d*) whether there is any officer in the department who is subjected to such dual control as is proposed to be exercised in the case of the Mahomedan Inspector by the Education Reforms Committee?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The Mahomedan Inspector is not under the control of the Divisional Inspectors.

(*c*) In view of the answer to part (*b*), this does not arise.

(*d*) No.

MR. K. MAHOMED (*Alwaye*): Am I to understand that the Mahomedan Inspector is under the direct control of the Director of Public Instruction?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): Yes.

MR. K. MAHOMED (*Alwaye*): Who is the appointing authority in regard to Arabic Munshies and Teachers?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): It is the Director of Public Instruction.

MR. K. MAHOMED (*Alwaye*): May I know from the member whether other Assistant Inspectors have got the power of appointing?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): No.

Muslim teachers in English Schools.

238. ***MR. K. MAHOMED** (*Alwaye*): Will the Government be pleased to state the number of Muslims (graduate and undergraduate) appointed as teachers in the departmental English Middle and High Schools for Boys by the present Director of Public Instruction?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): Graduates—3, appointed as Ag. Munshies.

Undergraduates—Nil.

Sub-Registry Office at Edappalli.

239. ***MR. K. MAHOMED** (*Alwaye*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether there is any proposal to shift the additional Sub-Registry office from Parur to Edappalli;

(*b*) whether there was any representation to open a Sub-Registry office at Edappalli; and

(*c*) if so, the action taken in this matter?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) No.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) After careful consideration, it was decided that there was no necessity either to open a Sub-Registry office at Edappalli or to shift the Additional Sub-Registry office at Parur to that place.

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